Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, George W. Wuest was born on February 3, 1924, one of seven children, on his parent's farm near Lake Andes, South Dakota; and,

Whereas, Birthdays commemorate the first day of our lives, and we celebrate the birthdays of those we love as we recognize the joys and sorrows we have shared, the strength we have gained from the obstacles and hardships we have conquered, and the small daily pleasures life offers; and,

Whereas, George graduated from Lake Andes High School in 1942, where he was captain of the football and track teams, and he graduated from the University of South Dakota Law School in 1949; and,

Whereas, George married Sandra Lauterbach on May 25, 1957, and to this union two children were born, Linda and Doug; and,

Whereas, George began his legal career in private practice in Lake Andes, his public service career began in 1954 when he was elected States Attorney in Charles Mix County. He was appointed Judge of the Circuit Court of South Dakota in 1963; and,

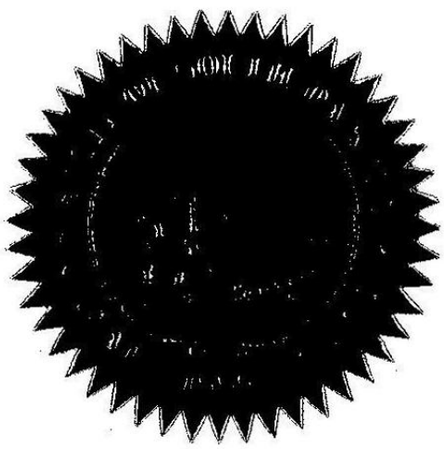
Whereas, Judge Wuest was appointed an associate member of the Supreme Court in 1984, and was elected as Chief Justice by his peers, a job he served for 4 years, retiring in 1994; and,

Whereas, The legal profession and the people of South Dakota are much better off due to his 45 years of service and dedication:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 3, 2004, as

JUDGE GEORGE W. WUEST DAY

in South Dakota, and I join all his many friends and relatives in wishing him a very happy birthday, good health, and great happiness.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State